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In re U.S. Patent Application of Nichols)	
)	Examiner: Coughlan, Peter D.
Application No. 09/868,664)	
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For: A RUNTIME PROGRAM ANALYSIS)	
TOOL FOR A SIMULATION ENGINE)	

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the final Office Action mailed December 15, 2008. Applicant is requesting continued examination under 37 CFR §1.114. The Examiner set a three-month period for response, thus making this paper due on or before **March 15, 2009**. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.